Russian Police Arrest Protesters Mocking Medvedev

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Police in the Siberian republic of Buryatia have detained two protesters for placards mocking Russian Prime Minister Dmitry Medvedev.

A small◾ number of protesters formed a picket outside Buryat State ◾University in the city of Ulan-Ude on Wednesday, where the prime minister was due to meet with students.

One of ◾the protesters held a sign referencing the infamous Medvedev slip-up which saw the prime minister tell [angry Crimean pensioners](#)that there "was no money [to raise pensions] but you hang in there."

"There's no ◾money, we're holding on in there," the protester's sign read, "but our spirits are low."

A ◾second man was arrested for showing a sign which read, "I went into business◾ after

school and went bust. Thanks.”

Medvedev also attracted [controversy in August](#) by telling teachers unhappy with their salaries, “If you want to make money then don’t teach, enter business.”

Footage of the arrests was later ⊠uploaded to the Arigus TV website.

Medvedev's public gaffes have sparked [widespread parody](#) across the Russian internet, provoking certain local officials.

A bakery in the Buryatia Republic was this summer [banned from selling](#) cakes decorated with the "there's no money, but you hang in there" slogan.

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